

(E) Grants provided under this paragraph shall be for a period up to 3 years, subject to annual review by the granting agency, and provide not more than 80 percent of the costs of the research activities carried out in connection with the grant.

(F) No funds made available to carry out this subsection may be used for the acquisition of real property (including buildings) or construction of any building.

(G) Nothing in this paragraph is intended to alter or abridge the authority under existing law of any Federal agency to make grants, or enter into contracts or cooperative agreements, using funds other than those authorized in this Act for the purposes of carrying out this paragraph.

#### (9) Funding

For each of the fiscal years 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, and 1995, \$6,000,000 of amounts in the Fund shall be available to carry out the regional research program in paragraph (8), such amounts to be available in equal amounts for the regional research program in each region; except that if the agencies represented on the Interagency Committee determine that regional research needs exist which cannot be addressed within such funding limits, such agencies may use their authority under paragraph (10) to make additional grants to meet such needs. For the purposes of this paragraph, the research program carried out by the Prince William Sound Oil Spill Recovery Institute established under section 2731 of this title, shall not be eligible to receive grants under this paragraph until the authorization for funding under section 2736(b) of this title expires.

#### (10) Grants

In carrying out the research and development program established under this subsection, the agencies represented on the Interagency Committee may enter into contracts and cooperative agreements and make grants to universities, research institutions, and other persons. Such contracts, cooperative agreements, and grants shall address research and technology priorities set forth in the oil pollution research plan under subsection (b) of this section.

#### (11) Utilization of resources

In carrying out research under this section, the Department of Transportation shall continue to utilize the resources of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration of the Department of Transportation, to the maximum extent practicable.

#### (d) International cooperation

In accordance with the research plan submitted under subsection (b) of this section, the Interagency Committee shall coordinate and cooperate with other nations and foreign research entities in conducting oil pollution research, development, and demonstration activities, including controlled field tests of oil discharges.

#### (e) Biennial reports

The Chairman of the Interagency Committee shall submit to Congress every 2 years on Octo-

ber 30 a report on the activities carried out under this section in the preceding 2 fiscal years, and on activities proposed to be carried out under this section in the current 2 fiscal year period.

#### (f) Funding

Not to exceed \$22,000,000 of amounts in the Fund shall be available annually to carry out this section except for subsection (c)(8) of this section. Of such sums—

(1) funds authorized to be appropriated to carry out the activities under subsection (c)(4) of this section shall not exceed \$5,000,000 for fiscal year 1991 or \$3,500,000 for any subsequent fiscal year; and

(2) not less than \$3,000,000 shall be available for carrying out the activities in subsection (c)(6) of this section for fiscal years 1992, 1993, 1994, and 1995.

All activities authorized in this section, including subsection (c)(8) of this section, are subject to appropriations.

(Pub. L. 101-380, title VII, § 7001, Aug. 18, 1990, 104 Stat. 559; Pub. L. 101-537, title II, § 2002, Nov. 8, 1990, 104 Stat. 2375; Pub. L. 101-646, title IV, § 4002, Nov. 29, 1990, 104 Stat. 4788; Pub. L. 104-324, title XI, §§ 1102(c)(2), 1108, Oct. 19, 1996, 110 Stat. 3966, 3968; Pub. L. 104-332, § 2(h)(1), (2), Oct. 26, 1996, 110 Stat. 4091; Pub. L. 108-426, § 2(c)(5), Nov. 30, 2004, 118 Stat. 2424.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

This Act, referred to in subsec. (c)(8)(G), is Pub. L. 101-380, Aug. 18, 1990, 104 Stat. 484, as amended, known as the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 2701 of this title and Tables.

#### AMENDMENTS

2004—Subsec. (a)(3). Pub. L. 108-426, § 2(c)(5)(A), substituted “Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration” for “Research and Special Projects Administration”.

Subsec. (c)(11). Pub. L. 108-426, § 2(c)(5)(B), substituted “Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration” for “Research and Special Programs Administration”.

1996—Subsec. (c)(2)(D). Pub. L. 104-324, § 1108, inserted “, and the Center for Marine Training and Safety in Galveston, Texas” before semicolon at end.

Subsec. (c)(6). Pub. L. 104-332, § 2(h)(1), made technical amendment to Pub. L. 101-646, § 4002(1). See 1990 Amendment note below.

Subsec. (c)(9). Pub. L. 104-324, § 1102(c)(2), inserted “until the authorization for funding under section 2736(b) of this title expires” before period at end.

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 104-332 made technical amendment to Pub. L. 101-646, § 4002(2). See 1990 Amendment note below.

1990—Subsec. (c)(6). Pub. L. 101-537, § 2002(1), and Pub. L. 101-646, § 4002(1), as amended by Pub. L. 104-332, § 2(h)(1), made substantially identical amendments, substituting “4” for “3” and inserting cl. (D).

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 101-537, § 2002(2), and Pub. L. 101-646, § 4002(2), as amended by Pub. L. 104-332, amended subsec. (f) identically, substituting “\$22,000,000” for “\$21,250,000” in introductory provisions and “\$3,000,000” for “\$2,250,000” in par. (2).

#### TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For transfer of authorities, functions, personnel, and assets of the Coast Guard, including the authorities and functions of the Secretary of Transportation relat-